



Support and
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Overcoming
Homelessness

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteering is a great way to help those who are in need, meet new and amazing people, and have fun! Below are the ongoing, weekly opportunities for you to volunteer at The Road Home.

All volunteers for the following weekly activities **MUST COMPLETE AN HOUR LONG VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION BEFORE STARTING!** Orientations are held one Thursday a month at 5:00pm. Please check our website www.theroadhome.org/volunteer for the next orientation. Any questions, please contact Chelsey Rasmussen - crasmussen@theroadhome.org, or Craig Foster - cfoster@theroadhome.org, Volunteer Coordinators.

Front Desk

If you like to multitask and want to experience the heart of the shelter, you will love this volunteer program! For two hours per week, front desk volunteers greet donors, volunteers, and residents. They also assist staff with phone calls and other needs.

- Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Weekly, two-hour commitment for a minimum of 3 months
- Must be 18 years old or older
- **Shifts scheduled Mon.-Fri. based on availability**

Literacy Night—Kids' Book Club

The goal of this program is to help children, ages 5-11 years old, become interested in reading. Volunteers read a story with the children. Afterward, art and snack activities centered on the theme or characters in the story follow to reinforce the enjoyment of reading.

- Mondays, 7:00-8:00 PM
- Must be 16 years old or older
- Weekly, one-hour commitment for a minimum of 3 months
- **Program Leader:** Meg Baker

Playroom Activities – Pre-school and elementary age groups

Play games, coordinate learning activities, facilitate arts and crafts, be a mentor to the children who live in our shelter. **Morning activities** are for children 2-5 and **evening activities** are for children 5-12.

- *Daily from 10:00AM-11:30AM, Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 PM*
- Must be 16 years old or older
- Weekly, one-hour commitment for a minimum of 3 months
- **Program Leader:** Margaret Carlson

Teen Night Out

Volunteers plan and carry out special activities geared to our preteen and teen (12-17 years old) residents. Activities generally are off shelter grounds.

- Wednesday, 6:30-9:00 PM (approx.)
- Must be 18 years old or older
- Weekly commitment for a minimum of 3 months
- **Program Leader:** Fernando Herrera and Kelly Maldonado



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One-Time/Group Opportunities

Looking for a group activity? Below are some opportunities that are a perfect way for groups to get involved but don't require an ongoing commitment.

Prepare a Dinner

1. Prepare a meal 2. Bring it to the Shelter 3. Serve it to the residents! Depending on your budget and group size, you can choose to feed the Men's Shelter, Women's Shelter, Family Shelter or any combination of the three! Now booking 2016 dates!

Sack Lunches

Provide simple sack lunches for young children staying at the shelter. Lunches are made off-site and delivered at 11:00 a.m. on your assigned morning. Shelter staff distributes the lunches. Please email Craig Foster to schedule your donation.

Warehouse Groups/Donation Drive

We can accommodate groups of 1-10 volunteers in our warehouse daily from 10:30am-4:30pm including weekends for volunteers 16 and older. Please wear closed toe shoes. Contact a volunteer coordinator to schedule a warehouse time. There is also a continuous need in the shelter for donated items. This is perfect for younger volunteers to do a project on their own and then bring the donations to the shelter. A Needs List is updated seasonally and available on our website.

Kids Activity

The playroom is available in the evening **Wednesday-Friday from 6:00-7:00 PM** to schedule for group activities with the children. In the past, groups have decorated cookies, brought in craft projects, made presents to give their families during holidays, and much more! Wednesday evenings book up 6-9 months in advance.

Special Events and Holidays

Each year we have several special events for one time groups to help the shelter. Our next event is the **Great Salt Lake Chili Affair fundraiser on September 30 and we need 200 volunteers.** Please contact Craig to sign up.

During the holidays, we have our Candy Cane Corner Store, open December 1st-December 23rd, volunteers can assist in collecting donations and stocking shelves so that our clients can select items for their children to have on Christmas Day! More info at <http://candycanecornerslc.org/>

Our annual Holiday Broadcast, held December 17th and 18th, is tons of fun! Radio stations from around the area will broadcast from The Road Home. Volunteers are needed to help collect donations, sort in our warehouse, and greet visitors. Dress warmly!

All volunteer group leaders must go over a Boundaries and Confidentiality form emailed out 1 week before your scheduled activity, with their group and return it signed. Please schedule with Chelsey Rasmussen, crasmussen@theroadhome.org 801.819.7298 or Craig Foster cfoster@theroadhome.org 801.819.7293 Volunteer Coordinators